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Tom Lorentzen, GSA; FRC chair Calise Munoz, HHS ; and John Lopez, Association for Service Disabled Veterans.

Service Disabled Vets Want More Fed Contracts *Law sets three percent goal for agencies*

GSA's Tom Lorentzen extended an invitation to John Lopez to address the December 21 meeting of Region IX's Federal Regional Council (FRC) and the leader of the Association for Service Disabled Veterans (ASDV) wasted little time urging Bay Area regional officials to meet congressionally-approved procurement goals in 2006.

"When President Bush signed Executive Order 13360 that directed government action to assist service-disabled veteran entrepreneurs, he was basically telling federal contracting officials, 'Get with it,'" said Lopez, ASDV chairman. "The president said he will hold agencies accountable for their performance. He wants to see measurements and results."

ASDV was founded in 1986 with the goal of creating opportunities for service-disabled vets (SDVs) to achieve and maintain their rehabilitation through enterprise development and managed employment. Membership is comprised of individuals from the 2.2 million SDV population and organizations that support the goals of ASDV.

On January 24-25, 2006, ASDV, along with American Legion Enterprise Post 236 and the Task Force for Veterans' Entrepreneurship, will host the National Conference for Veterans' Entrepreneurship at the Veterans' War Memorial Building in San Francisco (www.asdv.org/ASDV/Conf).

Topics include how to start an SDV business, a procurement seminar for federal procurement officials and a congressional report on veterans entrepreneurship achievements and initiatives.

FEB Honors 'Super Hero Feds' at Annual Employees of the Year Awards Program

The 28th annual Federal Employees of the Year awards (FEYA) program was held December 2 at the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco. The event, sponsored by the San Francisco Bay Area Federal Executive Board with KTVU-TV reporter John Sasaki serving as emcee, honored more than 80 federal employees in the Bay Area who demonstrated exceptional performance and dedication in 11 different categories during the last two years.

"Today, we celebrate the best among us, the employees we can always count on to finish the job on time and always do their best," said keynote speaker Patty Robidart, SSA's deputy regional administrator for Region IX. "The American public is well served by all of you."

To a packed dining hall filled with federal civilian and postal staffs, as well as a number of military personnel, emcee John Sasaki said he doesn't mind paying his taxes each year for the services he receives back from the government.

"I like the protection we enjoy from our armed forces. I like drinking safe water and inspected food products. And I like our safe highways and national forests," noted Sasaki, whose parents were both public sector workers in Berkeley. "I'm happy to be here because all of you are working for the safety and betterment of our society."

Award winners (names in bold) and nominees for Federal Employee of the Year award categories include:

Administrative/Technical

- **Sergio Garcia, U.S. Coast Guard, MLC Pacific**
- Wilfred Banaban, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Jahn Enger, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Sumire Fujita, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Xia Horowitz, SSA, Region IX
- Roy Kennedy, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Lonnie Klinkenberg, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Vivian Lee, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California

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The U.S. Coast Guard District 11 Law Enforcement Watch Team, flanked by FEB Chair James M. Griffin (L) and FEYA panel judge Evelyn G. Goodfriend (R), were winners in the Criminal Law Enforcement category.

Administrative/Technical (continued)

- Kevin Levonious, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Anthony Luna, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Barbara Middleton, U.S. Coast Guard, ISC Alameda
- Thomas Murphy, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Raymond Notman, U.S. Coast Guard, MLC Pacific
- Rene Nunes, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Lora Rogers, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Field Examiner Team, Dept. of Veterans Affairs Regional Office
- Regional Examination Center Team, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco

Civil Law Enforcement

- **Bradley O'Brien, Dept. of Justice**
- San Francisco District Office Enforcement Team, Dept. of Labor, Wage & Hour Division

Clerical

- **Theresa Reyes, San Francisco District, U.S. Corps of Engineers**
- Elizabeth Ayala, U.S. Coast Guard, Pacific Area Command
- Ronald Chung, Office of the United States Trustee
- Deborah Holden-Grogan, VA Palo Alto Health Care System

Criminal Law Enforcement

- **Law Enforcement Watch Team, U.S. Coast Guard District 11**
- Robert Baczek, VA Medical Center, San Francisco

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Criminal Law Enforcement (continued)

- Lawrence Donovan, U.S. Coast Guard, PacArea Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center
- Counter Terrorism Response Team, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Equal Employment Opportunity

- **Youth @ Work Committee Team, EEOC San Francisco District Office**
- Anita Osborne, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Claire Shepherd, U.S. Coast Guard, District 11
- Miguel Castillo and Isaac Williams, SSA

Management

- **Joseph Mano, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District**
- Leanne Bacon, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco
- Monica Beary, Dept. of Labor
- David Degl'Innocenti, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Kris Foster, U.S. Food & Drug Administration, San Francisco District Laboratory
- Morgan Geiger, U.S. Coast Guard Pacific Area
- Edward Glanz, 21st Space Operations Squadron, Onizuka Air Force Station
- Nancy Hume, U.S. Coast Guard, ISC
- Dr. Eric Huczko, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, San Francisco
- Keith Lew, GSA
- Janet Lopez, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Raymond Mapa, GSA
- Michael Nolan, IRS, W&I Accounts Management Operation
- Roger Wiesnoski, GSA, Public Building Service
- Ryan Young, U.S. Coast Guard, Dept. of Homeland Security

Military Uniformed

- **Lt. Cmdr. Sean Ryan, U.S. Coast Guard, Pacific Area**
- Petty Officer Vincent Cendejas, U.S. Coast Guard Air Station San Francisco
- Capt. Brad Endres, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, South Pacific Division
- Rear Adm. Brenda Holman, USPHS, Food & Drug Administration

- Lt. Maureen Majewski, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco
- Lt. Col. Charles Sherwin, Jr., Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Petty Officer Scott Van Gorden, U.S. Coast Guard Air Station San Francisco
- Master Chief Kirk Wood, U.S. Coast Guard, Dept. of Homeland Security

Professional

- **David Taylor, EPA, Quality Assurance Office**
- Katherine Fox, U. S. Coast Guard, Pacific Area
- Joan Haberman, U.S. Coast Guard, Civil Engineering Unit Oakland
- Darlene Harris, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Kent Hutchings, VA Palo Alto Health Care System
- Kenneth Koutz, U.S. Coast Guard, MLC PAC
- Mark Levi, GSA, PBS, Real Property Programs Division
- Anthony Murry, San Francisco Immigration Court
- Eustacio Ramirez, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco
- Larry Sholin, U.S. Dept. of Labor, OASAM
- Craig Studley, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California
- Wade Williams, U.S. Coast Guard, Dept. of Homeland Security
- Donn Zuroski, EPA
- Western Region Team, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board

Scientific

- **Santa Monica MTBE Team, EPA**
- Dr. Tara McHugh, Western Region Research Center
- Greg Steuer, Defense Contract Management Agency, Northern California

Service to the Community

- **Amy Long, U.S. Dept. of Justice Immigration Court**
- Ridwana Bentley, U.S. Dept. of Justice Immigration Court

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The Youth @ Work Committee Team, EEOC San Francisco District Office, are the winners of the Equal Employment Opportunity category for the 2005 FEYA awards program.

Trades and Crafts

- Food Service Team, U.S. Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco
- Anthony Scott, U.S. Postal Service
- Johnny Sexton, U.S. Coast Guard Air Station San Francisco
- Peter Waugh, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Metal Fabrication Unit, U.S. Coast Guard, ISC



(L-R) Ronald Chung, Office of the U.S. Trustee; Nan Langen Steketee, Earth Share of California; David E. Anderson, Principal, Business Advisory & Implementation Services; Clerical FEYA Theresa Reyes, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; James M. Griffin, FEB chair; and Evelyn G. Goodfriend, VP, FEHBP, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan. Anderson, Goodfriend and Steketee were part of a FEYA blue ribbon panel that selected the top candidates in each of the 11 categories for the 2005 Federal Employee of the Year.